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## FOREIGN MINISTRY OPPOSED BLOCKADE Feared It Would Lead To Unpleasant Consequences MILITARY MEN ADAMANT

(Exclusive to the "China Mail")

Informed sources revealed yesterday that the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs strongly opposed the imposing of the present blockade.

### Britain's Attitude On Blockade

London, June 27.  
Britain is expected to inform the Chinese Nationalist Government in Canton of her attitude to its blockade of the Communist-held China coast within the next 48 hours.

Britain's delay in declaring her policy is believed to be due to last minute consultations between Britain, France, the United States and the Dominions governments.

The legal position as emphasised in London last week by the Foreign Office is that a blockade may be declared by a legal government provided that it is effective.

But the declaration of a blockade automatically confers belligerent rights on the other party, in this case the Communists. This view in diplomatic quarters in London at the weekend was that the Nationalist Government in fact does not possess the means to make a blockade effective.—Reuter.

### Australian Miners Walk Out

Sydney, June 27.  
All black coal mines in Australia were idle today as 23,000 miners, whose average production was 70,000 tons a day, went on strike.

Nearly another 500,000 workers were already unemployed because of drastic fuel rationing during the week.

Confronted with an actual strike after many threats of a strike, States where gas and power rationing had not been brought in prepared for rationing while States where rationing had been in operation tightened up measures to conserve fuel.

The strike by coal miners followed the failure of an eleventh-hour bid to avert the strike at a meeting with the Joint Coal Board. The miners' demands include a 30-hour week, a wage increase of 30 shillings (Australian), a week-and-a-half nationalisation of the industry.—Reuter.

### The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKRT) from a low pressure area over S and SW China trough extended eastwards to a deepening depression to the E of Japan and in a ridge extending from the Pacific anticyclone to the Northern Philippines. Today's Forecast—Moderate SE to SW winds; fresh and squally. In occasional brief showers, partial afternoon clearance. Yesterday's Weather—

Max. Temp. 88° F., min. 70° F.; Minimum: 80° deg. Fah.; Sunshine: 8.1 hours; Rainfall: 0.8 mm./0.01 in. Total since Jan. 1-810.8 mm./31.88 in., an average of 388.8 mm./88.18 in.

Wind direction: NNE to NE; Wind force: 3-4; Wind speed: 10 mph.; Wind gusts: 15 mph.

Baro. at sea: 1008.4-1004.1 mb.; Rel. humidity: 80-85%; Dew point: 78-80° F.; Wind direction: NNE to NE; Wind force: 3-4; Wind speed: 10 mph.; Wind gusts: 15 mph.

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## Strauss Is 85



Famed German composer, Richard Strauss (centre) pictured as he left celebrations at Garmisch, Bavaria, marking his 85th birthday. Strauss was made honorary citizen of Garmisch and honorary Doctor of Law of Munich University, as part of the birthday celebrations. At left is Strauss' grandson, Richard Strauss, and at right his old Vienna friend, Dr. Manfred von Mautner-Markhof.—AP Photo.

### Star Of Suez Interception

First, they feared that a blockade, whether openly proclaimed or disguised by closing certain ports to shipping, would imply that a war of the first magnitude was in progress in China, and lead to the recognition of the belligerent rights of the Communists.

Secondly, a nuisance blockade in the Foreign Office opinion would anger the Western powers to such an extent that they would prefer to see China quickly unified under the Communists, followed by the establishment of a new central government.

Thirdly, the experts believed that it would be unlikely that even the United States would give the Nationalist Government guns to enable it to put a stop to their own trade.

The military, according to the same sources, were, however, firm in their demand for a blockade. The Cabinet finally had to give consent to it.

A United Press report from Canton adds that General Huang Tung, legislative Yuan member who has publicly declared against the Central government's closure of Communist-held ports, was reported today to have been warned to change his anti-government attitude by colleagues who are remaining in Canton.

The few legislators remaining in the capital city have also been active in recent protest meetings staged by combined civic bodies. The meetings have gone on record as favouring expulsion of "defectors", restriction of passport issuance, and better defence arrangements for Canton.

By this time, the Star of Suez had stopped and was subjected to searchlights from both vessels. A few minutes later, six more volleys were fired across the Egyptian ship.

The passengers by this time were in a considerable state of alarm and assembled on the boat-deck, carrying or wearing life-jackets. They were addressed by the Chief Officer, who told them that there was no cause for alarm and that it would be safe for them to return to bed.

Shortly afterwards, the steaming lights of a ship were seen on the starboard bow, which later proved to be the U.S.S. Mason. However, the distance was too great to send a message.

Two officers and two ratings boarded the Star of Suez. They were correct in their behaviour and apologised in the name of the captain for having stopped the ship and used gunfire.

### Informed Of

### Nationality

"We informed them that we had told them our nationality by signal lamp at least three times," said Captain Rothwell.

Shortly afterwards, we were told by signal lamp that we could proceed and we asked if we could send the pilot to the pilot vessel.

The "worshippers" then sent a motorboat and took the pilot off, but instead of returning him to the pilot ship, they took him to one of the warships.

Constant rains and low clouds marred the second day of the re-claimed Nationalist closure.

The worshippers had every right to close China's territorial waters.

This particular statement was interpreted in some quarters as a condonation of the proposed Nationalist blockade before the State Department had pronounced its final decision on the matter.

None of the local business leaders contacted today would venture to predict the likely official Anglo-American stand on the blockade question but they are all hoping that Shanghai would not be cut off entirely by sea from the outside world.

No ships have entered or sailed since midnight, June 26, the time set by the Nationalists for the closure under threat of air raid attack. The only ocean-going ship here now is the Andaman Islands. The British freighter which was bombed on June 21 by Nationalist warplanes.

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## KUTIEN, STRATEGIC GATEWAY TO FOOCHOW SAID TAKEN BY REDS

Shanghai, June 27.

One of the most strategic gateways to Foochow has fallen to the Peoples' Liberation Army which was reported by the New China News Agency today to have captured the highway hub of Kutien, about 45 miles North West of Fukien's provincial capital.

This success permits the Peoples' Liberation Army to launch a direct drive on Foochow along two modern highways—one leading direct to the Fukienese port through mountains and the other running first South to Shuihow and then East along the North bank of the Min River.

But whether it will be undertaken immediately will depend on the strength of the Nationalist forces, known to have been deployed to the North and West of Foochow.

At the same time, the military take-over committee of the Shanghai Military Control Commission has extended the deadline for the registration of Kuomintang military personnel stranded here by the sudden Nationalist pull-out from the metropolis late last month.

More than 1,000 are reported to have registered before the original period expired on June 15 but the majority were skilled workers and engineers with very few qualified pilots.

The exact number of aircraft possessed by the Peoples' Liberation Army is unknown, but about a year ago it was reported as 85 mostly used for training purposes in North Manchuria.

### Chongsha Threat

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## Aircraft Carrier For HK

Malta, June 27.  
The British Navy's 13,330 tons aircraft carrier HMS Triumph is to join the Pacific Fleet based on Hong Kong this autumn, naval headquarters here announced today.

Triumph is at present with the Mediterranean Fleet.

A naval spokesman denied suggestions that the carrier would take reinforcements to the Hong Kong garrison.

## Chiang Said Flying To Canton

Canton, June 27.  
A ranking Chinese government official told the United Press this evening that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was expected to fly to Canton probably tomorrow or Wednesday, for the long-talked meeting with the Acting President, General Li Tsung-ke.

Competent government officials expressed the belief that the meeting between the present head of government and the retired president would take place either in Taiwan or Canton. General Li Tsung-ke, who has decided definitely again going to Taiwan, and it is most likely the two top Nationalist leaders will meet on a way vessel.

Though accommodations for the retired president and his men are being prepared in Canton, where former government Chai-tang-hsiang, chairman of the Generalissimo's disposal, is reported to have been placed in the Generalissimo's disposal, similar preparations are also being made in Taiwan.

Arrivals from Amoy said the port city was calm.—Reuters and Associated Press.



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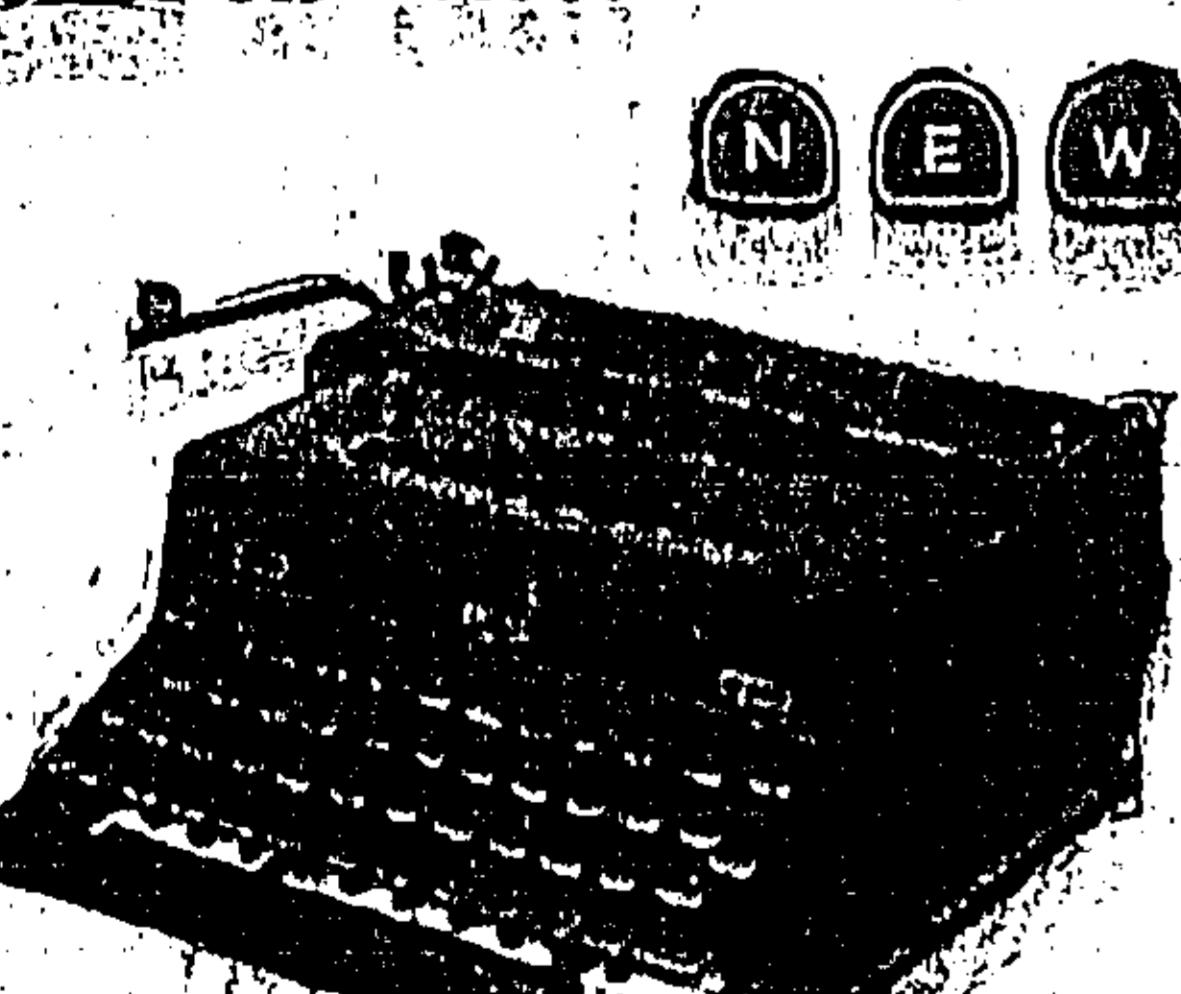
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**Bible Auditorium**

Sir.—Since the name of Mr. Delano has been brought to the fore in your columns recently by one of his fans, I should like to express my opinion of this building and the noises issuing therefrom. As an unfortunate soul I find it extremely difficult after a long day's work to come home and find peace and quietness. Almost daily and often twice-daily exhortations and the rumbling of an organ resounds in the neighbourhood, together with supposed singers who are possibly using this place as a last resource for their altruistic tendencies.

The Stillwell papers and records of Tokyo's War Crimes Trials are just 'telling' the tale of Chiang Kai-shek's double-faced and double-crossed.

Comparing this place with the genuine houses of worship, I feel that it would be more devout if a little appreciation could be given to other people's feelings (excluding the audience who seem to like this form of exhibitionism), and the doors of this theatre were to be closed during performances.

I am a great believer in religion but abhor the cheapening of it by such loud advertising as is by such loud advertising as is employed by the Bible Auditorium.

**"A TRUE CHRISTIAN".****The Anchises**

Sir.—I shall be obliged if you will print the following in your Correspondence Column:

It is possible to stand the infatuation stupidly of the Local Government providing we know that the Home Government is competent to deal with important situations. Now even this so-called denial us. A British ship lies maimed by cowardly Nationalist airmen, near Shanghai, and heroic efforts are being made by Captain and crew to refloat her.

In spite of British protests through the usual diplomatic channels, the ship has been subjected to two more attacks and it is possible that when the Nationalist airmen are finally convinced of her unarmed state, they will have the courage to come close enough to sink her.

Why in the name of the British Navy, don't we send one of our cruisers to protect her?

Come, Gentlemen, let us be proud of you! Remember, Britons used to "rule the waves." P.W."

**Rice Complaint**

Sir.—Since your paper published information on the offer by Rice Merchants Association of Hong Kong to sell a bag of rice to anyone who can afford, I have been communicating with that organisation. I was further informed that I should approach one of its members. Indeed I approached many. All said that they got no rice to spare.

These are hot June days and no April Fool day. If the Rice Merchants Association of Hong Kong wishes to make fun of its critics, it can do so in many other ways.

Remember that our rice was bought with International Fund. By what right has the Rice Merchants Association of Hong Kong, many of whose names appear in the Japanese Telephone Directory? It still possesses, is permitted to operate their racket is really beyond our comprehension.

Can we appeal to the authorities through your column for re-consideration of the evils?

T.C.T.

**Chiang And China**

Sir.—The United States Department of State is considering the publication of a White Book proving that Chiang Kai-shek withdrew the American donated Army, Navy and Aerial forces for another purpose, apparently Li Tsung-jen and Ho Ying-chin, to recall this Chinese Fuchien back to the Kuomintang's Presidency.

The motive of the Department of State is to justify its recent China policy of hands-off. Congressmen of Walter Judd's type have been criticising the Administration for not aiding Chiang Kai-shek with more money and armaments. These critics have overlooked the fact that America has armed Chiang Kai-shek almost one hundred divisions during the war. Even after the Liberation '40' divisions' armaments were sent to this synthetic dictator who just surrendered over two-thirds of such best weapons to the Communists without offering even token resistance.

Moreover, Chiang Kai-shek has been financing and arming anti-Kuomintang remnants who may fight a few anti-Bolshevik battles, since he ordered the withdrawal of troops from Nanking without even informing Acting President Li Tsung-jen beforehand. For all intents and purposes Chiang Kai-shek has been using American loans and supplies to destroy the American interests in China.

**By Their Deeds**

Sir.—Our first reaction to the report of the proceedings of the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday last was to turn to your advertisement section to ascertain whether Government and invited leaders for the erection of an iron statue to the 'Official Members' for we felt, by lesser tribute could the public on Hong Kong be enabled to adequately display their esteem for the men who had, in one gracious Motion, (a) awarded both British subjects the right to elect their members to the Legislative Council, and (b) should be elected to their number to the Legislative Council.

A few weeks ago it was revealed that large quantities of rice, sugar, butter, etc., all of importation to the average person, were monthly finding their way into the 'black market,' yet not one of the Hon. 'Official Members' had the courage or the interest to publicly demand a stoppage and impartial investigation of their own country's (b) created a source of local friction which may well turn Hong Kong into another Manchuria, and we almost forgot to mention that Hong Kong is the greatest emporium for the distribution of opium in the world.

**THREE MISSING AS MOTOR VESSEL SINKS AFTER COLLISION**

Three persons were missing and a ship and its cargo of salt lost when the Chinese river steamer Kwei Hai and a Chinese-licensed motor vessel collided midway between Cap. Sulimun and Man Wan, about eight and a half miles from Victoria yesterday.

Twenty persons aboard the my. Hip Fat, were rescued by the Kwei Hai, but the small craft, which was rammed amidship on the port side, sank within 15 minutes after the collision.

The 600-ton Hong Kong Kongmoon river vessel sustained a foot-diameter hole in her forepeak and is undergoing repairs at the Kwong Cheung Fung Shipyard.

The Hip Fat was on its way to Canton from San Mel with about 3,000 piculs of salt, estimated to cost about HK\$300,000. There were 17 personnel, two German passengers, three cargo superlatives and a salt gabbet of the Chinese Government Salt Administration, who was one of the persons believed lost.

Those who spoke in support of this Motion attempted to make much of the suggestion that the Reform organisation, Chambers of Commerce, etc., do not represent any great part of the community, that, in any case, their views are so widely divergent that it is impossible for them to reach agreement.

With regard to the first point, we point out to the Hon. Unofficial Members that it is not necessary for the entire population, or even the greater part of it, to claim membership in any association in order that such association may adequately represent the majority. A case in point is the Labour Party of Great Britain. The percentage of those who voted for Labour Party candidates at the last election and who could also claim membership in the Party is probably a great deal smaller than the percentage of the people eligible to vote under the Reform Club plan. As Garrison has written, "The success of any great moral enterprise does not depend on numbers."

Among the arrivals here yesterday by CPA from Singapore and Bangkok were Messrs. R. J. Simmons, Goh Cheng-hian, Lum Ho Wingseung, and M. Mills.

Messrs. Sy Lin, Miung Bakayaw and Johnny Gotum left the Colony yesterday by CPA for Manila.

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Sturt, Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Scriven, W. M. Davis, C. H. Sturtevant, F. Shandt, S. M. Schine, V. Sykes, P. C. Wong, H. Petersen, B. K. Kowalewski, S. E. Evans, J. S. Brooks, H. T. Pemberton, and E. Blathorn.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were General and Mrs. G. K. Moy, Mr. and Mrs. F. Matilla, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Orlry, Mrs. C. S. Bryant, Mrs. B. C. Doshall, Messrs. P. K. Mel, H. H. Chen, T. H. Chow, C. Y. Wu, W. A. Lobban, A. Ponve, A. P. Lu, W. J. Wingfield, and E. J. H. Daventry.

There were 120 passengers aboard the Kwei Hai bound for Hong Kong from Kowloon. Except for the one-foot hole, there was no other case of injury or damage.

Mr. Tong So, 38-year-old coxswain of the Hip Fat, reported that he was on his way from San Mel to Canton with about 3,000 piculs of salt and several passengers.

One of the principal charges which has been levelled against the advocates of reform is that they are, in the main, not residents of long standing. May we remind the Hon. Unofficial Members of the truth of another quotation, "What know they of England (read Hong Kong) who never England knew?" What is the political education of Hong Kong? Is it pre-war? The majority of us may have been interrupted, rather than enhanced, in the case of some, during the Japanese occupation, there are those among us who were born and bred in countries wherein to find choice representatives to the governing body is the right of all men and not a privilege to be dispensed by any tier, representative of nobody, but themselves, and where, despite the important remarks of the Hon. Man-kam Lo, the electorate is quite satisfied with the manner in which its rights are arranged. Furthermore, it may take the very great liberty of challenging His Majesty's Government and against imperfections, but whatever Party it is, it is the habit of forming for reasoning decisions in the "rush of victory." If His Majesty's Government has seen fit to grant the inhabitants, and note well that the Colonial Office uses the word "inhabitants" and not "subjects," a greater share in the management of their own affairs, the decision was made for good and sufficient reasons, possibly beyond the comprehension of our local politicians.

The plan which we are told in the Press, is the Reform Club.

Hong Kong has forwarded to His Excellency the Governor in the form of a petition, founded upon common-sense and practical considerations and sufficiently backed up by the Hon. Unofficial Members, if it can be hoped that the Colonial Office will receive the support of all who are interested in the welfare of the colony.

It is doubtful that a court of inquiry would be convened to investigate the collision.

The Hip Fat was a medium-sized motor vessel with a Chinese licence. The local agents are the Ming Fung Hong. The craft is estimated to be worth about HK\$200,000.

The river steamer Kwei Hai has been plying the Hong Kong Kongmoon run for more than two years, ferrying cargo and passengers from the West River port.

It may be recalled that some time in 1947, she was mined off Parker Point, on Barrow Island, when she was on the Canton run. Forty seamen and passengers were killed then. Her sister ship is the Kwei Shan, which was fired on by Pearl River Delta pirates but apparently saved from being held up by Chinese gunboats which retaliated.

Mr. Lin will see the Director of Marine today. He had already sent in his written statement regarding the incident yesterday.

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The Card Drive postponed.

The Card Drive planned by the Little Flowers Club for Thursday afternoon has been postponed to

**RN Ships Leaving For Japan**

Three Royal Navy ships are due to leave the Colony today for Japan on a routine visit with Vice-Admiral A. C. G. Madden, Second in Command, Far Eastern Fleet aboard HMS Jamala.

The other two are HMS Conquer and HMS Hart.

HMS Alert will leave for Singapore tomorrow.

Next month will see three troopers bringing reinforcements to Hong Kong from United Kingdom and Singapore.

They are the troopship Dilwara (July 7), HMS Dunera and HMS Empire Trooper (July 17).

HMS Jamaica is expected to return July 29 from Japan.

Departures in July include HMS Black Swan (July 2) for Malaya; HMS Dilwara for the U. K. (July 12); HMS Empire Trooper (July 22); HMS Dunera (July 23), the store ship Fort Charlotte (July 24) for Japan; the tanker Green Ranger (July 24) for Japan; HMS Comus and HMS Concord (July 25) oil for Japan.

Other arrivals include HMS Wave Emperor expected to-day and HMS Windrush due to arrive from U. K. on July 26 and leaving on August 2.

Fortress-class craft in port today include U. S. destroyer Icicle, U. S. escort plane Gardner, Bay, U. S. AG Dixie, the Portuguese sloop Joao de Lisboa, undergoing overhauling at Kowloon Dock, and the Chinese Navy oiler O'Neil.

**PIRATES HOLDING SHELL LIGHTER**

Canton, June 27.—The Shell Company's 55-ton motor-lighter, the Tal Ling-shan, which was pirated by Chinese last week, was still in the pirates' hands this morning. It was learned here from usually reliable sources.

Her cargo of 10,000 tons of kerosene is reported to have been distributed and the ship towed to an unknown destination in the Northern part of the Canton River delta.

The Shell Company's agents, who have already contacted the Chinese Navy, are now trying to get into direct touch with the pirates. They are well-known bandits in South China and were formerly guerrillas.—Reuters.

**EXTORTION CASE ADJOURNED**

Hearing was resumed at Central yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada of the case in which an Assistant Steward, Chu Kwok-tung of Guatemala, and three waiters, Wong Kok-yung, Cheuk Kun-tai and Lau Siu-ming, were charged with demanding money with threats.

When he noticed the Kwei Hai approaching, he gave one blast on his horn indicating to go to the starboard side. The coxswain stated that the steamer replied with two blasts.

"I repeated my intention with one blast and heard three blasts from the Kwei Hai," Mr. Tong So reported.

The Hip Fat was suddenly rammed amidship on the port side. The personnel and passengers who, by that time had already crowded the deck, were thrown overboard by the impact. Some, however, jumped into the sea.

"I attempted to beach my craft and save the cargo, at least, but it sank before anything could be done," he stated.

Mr. Tong So recalled noticing a person sleeping in a fore cabin and declared that he believed that person would be a fatality.

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# DETAILS OF GRUESOME MURDER REVEALED AT TRIAL OF TINKER

## Reminders

Today

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m., HK Rotary Club, talk by Mr. Kenneth Noble on Dominion Day, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Recital by Carol Bateman's pupils (in aid of Fanning Babies' Home), Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

HK and Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, Windsor House, 11 a.m.

Kowloon Union Church, women's guild meeting, 10 a.m.

HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6.45 p.m.

## Coming Events

TOMORROW

HK Art Club monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Toc H Club, meeting at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 3.30 p.m.

Recital by Carol Bateman's pupils (in aid of Fanning Babies' Home), Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

HK Art Club monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

JIP Union Church, Ladies' Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club, luncheon, at Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY

Canada Day Service at Saiwan Military Cemetery, 9.30 a.m.; Reception at Hong Kong Club annex, 7 to 8.30 p.m.

Canadian Club of Hong Kong, dinner dance, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 7.45 p.m.

## Two Year Sentence For Larceny

An unemployed Chinese man was charged at Kowloon yesterday with committing larceny in a dwelling.

Young Tuk-ming, aged 25, went to the home of an American engineer, Mr. C. J. Ketola on Saturday.

He told Mr. Ketola that a Chinese Air Force Major sent him over to meet Mr. Ketola who was formerly connected with the CAF.

During the course of their conversation, defendant wrote in Chinese wanting Mr. Ketola to fetch his servant and act as their interpreter.

Mr. Ketola left the room and on his return he saw defendant take two watches and place them in defendant's own pockets.

Defendant was then arrested.

The articles that were stolen by defendant were: two watches, one leather wallet, a ring set with a ruby and a Chinese letter. The total value was about \$304.

The court sentenced defendant to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

## Case Against Sexton Is Adjourned

The case against Clemento Maria Almarino, sexton of the Roman Catholic Cemetery, and his wife, Marguerite Tsui, was further adjourned until this morning after Mr. A. O. Arculli, defence counsel, closed the case for the defence of first defendant yesterday.

Mr. Arculli stated that he will call no further witness and will not propose to call second defendant.

Almarino is alleged to have been responsible for allowing non-Catholic persons to be buried in the Catholic Cemetery.

He was charged with forging a burial certificate for a Chinese woman on February 1, with possession of the forged document and obtaining \$200 by false pretences.

His wife was charged with aiding and abetting in all three alleged offences.

The case is being heard by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central District Court. G. S. Saut prosecuted.

## UNEMPLOYED YOUTH SENTENCED

An unemployed youth, aged 16, was ordered by Mr. Thomas Tew, at Central yesterday, to serve two years in the reformatory.

The youth was convicted on a charge of soliciting for an immoral purpose.

Committee hearing of a murder case involving a tinker was held at Kowloon yesterday. Cheung Woon, aged 28, was charged with murdering his colleague by chopping off the latter's head with a kitchen chopper.

The prosecution alleged that on the night of May 10, a tinker was found at defendant's house, an unnumbered hut at Nam Hang Village, Tai Po, New Territories, defendant quarreled with Cheung Piu, aged 28, and during the course of their quarrel chopped off Cheung Piu's head.

One prosecution witness, Chi Ning, a son of the deceased, said that on that day he accompanied the deceased to defendant's house for dinner, on their way from Shatin, they stopped at the Tai Po market and bought 8 taels of Chinese wine.

At defendant's house, together with three other persons including a boy who was also one of the prosecution's witness, they had dinner with defendant.

When the meal was eaten, Chui was sent away by his master to purchase some sugar in the Tai Po market. On his return he saw that the door of the hut was locked and in front of it sat the boy, Tsui San-kwai, and defendant.

Defendant told Chui that that Cheung Piu was killed during the quarrel. He also urged Chui to "act as watch outside the hut, while the boy and he went into the house."

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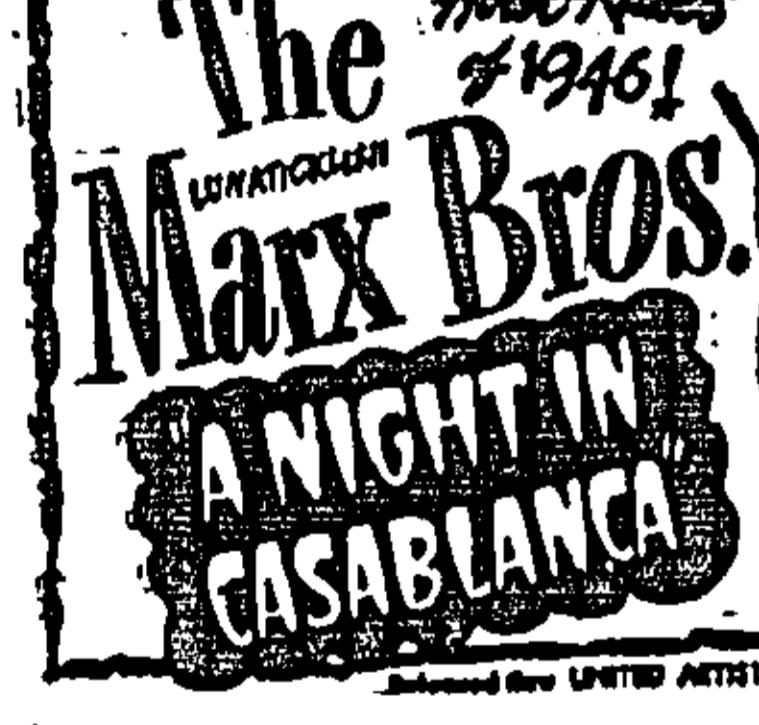
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## PART IV: ROAD TO CALVARY

## THE MINDSZENTY STORY

The Cardinal's Arrest  
BY THE VERY REV.  
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

garian ancestors was not an easy one. The Apostle St. Paul, the man of sufferings, the chosen vessel of the Lord, proclaiming to our own race to us: "For whatsoever things were hidden aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope." (Rom., 16, 4.)

## Stand Firm

"In the matter of signing various petitions and documents against me, I have caused the conscience of the faithful. This, of course, applies to no priest, monk or nun. In the future there will be hardly any such possibility of leniency even for the layman; we must stand firm; the grace and mercy of the Year of the Holy Virgin shall help us as a reserve of strength. To bear testimony for Jesus (St. Matt., 10, 18), to not an example, to stand firm, is the first task of priests and members of religious orders. The confession of their faith must leave no room for doubt in the minds of the faithful, those of other denominations or unbaptized. They must feel more strongly than ever, 'for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.' (1st Cor., 4, 9.)

"You must be beacons of light! Let us work according to our talents, especially in our lives and our behaviour, for the country of Jesus Christ our King which is the world of truth and mercy. Our road to this happy land we do not forget the words of Tortullian: 'the charge brought against us by certain accusers is a triumph for us. What we do, we do for the sake of the freedom of our Church, the salvation of our suffering people and our youth, for greater peace; that is, from spiritually higher motives, and not for the reasons alleged.'

"The eyes enlightened by faith give us a clear vision of things and events. Today, among the chief shepherds and the shepherds of the flock, St. Cyprian proclaims this clear vision: 'The Church never moves away from Christ, for the Church belongs to Him; the Church is nothing but the people united with its priests and the flock clinging to its shepherd. Therefore we must know that the Chief Shepherd is of the Church, just as the Church is in the Bishop, and that if someone does not stand with the Bishop, with the Chief Shepherd, he is no longer of the Church.'

"Should, by force of circumstances, an interruption occur in the sequence of my Pastoral Letters, we have been given full direction in the Papal Encyclical and Pastoral Letters of the recent years; let us make use of them as occasion arises.

"To find a life of grace in the plentiful source of the 'Sacred Sacraments' is more important than anything else. Therefore teach: 'Wash you, make you clean!' (Isaiah, 1, 18) and thus be one body in Christ. (Rom., 13, 14.) With Him, in Him and through Him, we can grow into fire-breathing lions. In the possession of the life and grace we shall never forget the one thing necessary (St. Luke, 10, 42): against its strength, temptation can never ensnare us; 'For many shall come in My Name, saying, I am Christ and shall deceive many.' (St. Mark, 13, 6.) 'Ye shall know them by their fruits.' (St. Matt., 7, 16.) In the possession of Christ we can also to the heights of the Apostles, who could even be highly rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for the name of Jesus. (Acts, 5, 41.) This is the world of the Sorrow on the Mount: 'Blessed are ye who are persecuted for righteousness sake; for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you for my sake.' (St. Matt., 10, 11.)

Fate Fulfilled

"Therefore, to vigilant, praying always, 'Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be counted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.' (St. Luke, 21, 36.) Let us pray, shepherds and flock, incessantly for each other.

"Let us live 'in hope of eternal life, which God that cannot lie, promised before the world began.' (Titus, 1, 2.) Be of good cheer: 'I have overcome the world.' (St. John, 16, 30.)"

On the evening of December 20, 1948, the second day of Christmas, the fate of the Primate and Head of the Hungarian Catholic Church was fulfilled.

Cardinal Mindszenty had already learned of the arrest of Justin Baranyay at Erd, a summer

holiday resort not far from the capital. The aged and famous Professor of Canon Law had been dragged from the midst of his family on Christmas eve. The Primate knew that the time was approaching when his own Calvary would begin. With considerable

difficulty he had obtained permission for his mother, now in her early seventies, to visit him for Christmas. Mother and son spent almost a peasant woman and the Cardinal, spent five minutes over dinner and a quiet hour of prayer in his private chapel. Then he accompanied his mother to the guest-room on the ground floor, and it was there that the police, who had called to arrest him, found the Primate of Hungary. It would be hard to describe the poignant emotions of this devoted pair; of the son who had written a book of several hundred pages about mothers and whose many hundreds of sermons and speeches invariably contained a reference to his mother, and of the who had already seen this happen twice before; once when the young priest was imprisoned by the first Communists in 1919, and again when her son, then Bishop of Veszprem, was arrested by the Hungarian Nazis and shot him the brave message: 'If you had learned to suffer imprisonment in your youth, my son, do not hesitate to sacrifice even your life now.'

The stillness which already in November had fallen on the palace of the Primate deepened and became even more oppressive. The only noise which broke the silence was the common made by the police who returned day after day to search, to carry off account-books, files and papers, to bully and try to intimidate the one or two priests who were still living there.

## Moral Death

Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary began his prison life.

Like everybody in Hungary, knew that the prison of the Hungarian political police meant physical and moral death after tortures

beyond the imagination of every normal, decent person. This full

awareness of the fate in store for him was probably the reason why before his arrest the Cardinal

privately addressed to the Archbishops and the Chapter of Esztergom a letter in which he declared that he had not participated in any conspiracy, and that any confession that might be produced later, purporting to have been made by him, even if it should be authenticated with his own

signature, must be considered null and void.

Since I left Hungary almost everyone I have met has asked me the same question and wanted to know the same thing. Ecclesiastics and laymen alike were shocked,

fascinated and deeply perturbed by this one problem: what happened to Cardinal Mindszenty between the day of his arrest and his trial? Was he drugged?

Was he beaten? Had the Russians and their Hungarian satellites discovered some new

method to break the will of even a man of iron? What exactly took place behind the scenes of the large building standing on Budapest's main thoroughfare, the broad, mile-and-a-half-long Andrássy ut?

But there is no brief and clear-cut answer to these questions. No one stood at the keyhole and brought out a report. Those who know—the Communist leaders and their chief executioner, Police General Gabriel Páter—are certainly not going to tell. But at the same time the question can be answered, fully, authentically. We know what happened to others; we know a good deal of the methods of the Communist secret police; and their ample documentary proof that something happened to Cardinal Mindszenty—something terrible, inhuman, shameful.

Deep in the bowels of his prison, as it might be in secret laboratory of some evil sorcerer,

a soul, a character, was transformed into molten wax. It was a soul and character whose peer in strength and resistance Hungarian history in all its thousand years has never known. Truly,

and without exaggeration, we might compare him with the desert penitent, St. John the Baptist. The unyielding mettle of his spirit had to be made pliable, this man of steel turned into a wax puppet so that in front of the "Independent Judges" of the "Peoples' Democracy" the weak and abject figure of a common conspirator could be presented to the world.

It seems as if the ghost of Dr. Goebbels were haunting Hungary.

Goebbels, who cynically remarked: "Wir machen keine Mutter 'sordner Verbrecher" ("we create no martyrs, but criminals").

The Hungarian Government produced a notorious "Yellow Book".

This contains several

"confessions". In the Cardinal's

own handwriting, these "confessions" prove the sad reality of torture and the devilish techniques

employed by the dastardly imitators

of Goebbels and of Hitler.

Yet once again the Communists, tor

tured and tortured, have been rather callous.

We do not know for certain what drugs, what

abominations were used to reduce

Cardinal Mindszenty to his pre-



Our favourite news agency came up yesterday with a report that Admiral Bradgar "refrained from using the word 'blockade' as recognised by international law."

That sure is some word. I'd have avoided using it myself.

A "love racketeer" alleged to have fleeced many women of their savings, is reported to have said he "just looked up their Dun and Bradstreet rating."

A rat like that should have got nix.

If we tell you her name is Antonina Gregorovna Selek Ennis, you'll understand why everybody calls her Tosca."

We will.

It is not yet known whether America minted all those millions of silver dollars for the Nationalists as a token of esteem or for funeral expenses.

A contemporary printed a story from London yesterday that a partly blind girl from Chicago was married here today to Hank Smith.

Surely she could have faked him some other way. She didn't have to floss herself into his arms like that.

The company has suspended operations because of want it described as lack of revenue."

I sympathise. Frequently I find my liquid assets are not nearly as available as one would wish.

Myrtle's small sister likes to write notes. One day her mother found one on her dressing table: "I went out to play. Be back soon."

The wife of one of our staff does up parcels in a store.

She's very quick, averaging 100 knots an hour.

Mrs. Stewart of the Braes was telling a niece now getting on in years that she'd have been much happier "maiden."

"Oh," says Jean, "I did have a maid once, but my mother chased him w' besom."

Marshal Tito has evidently decided to be neutral in the cold war.

He intends to exchange goods with the democratic powers and epithets with Moscow.

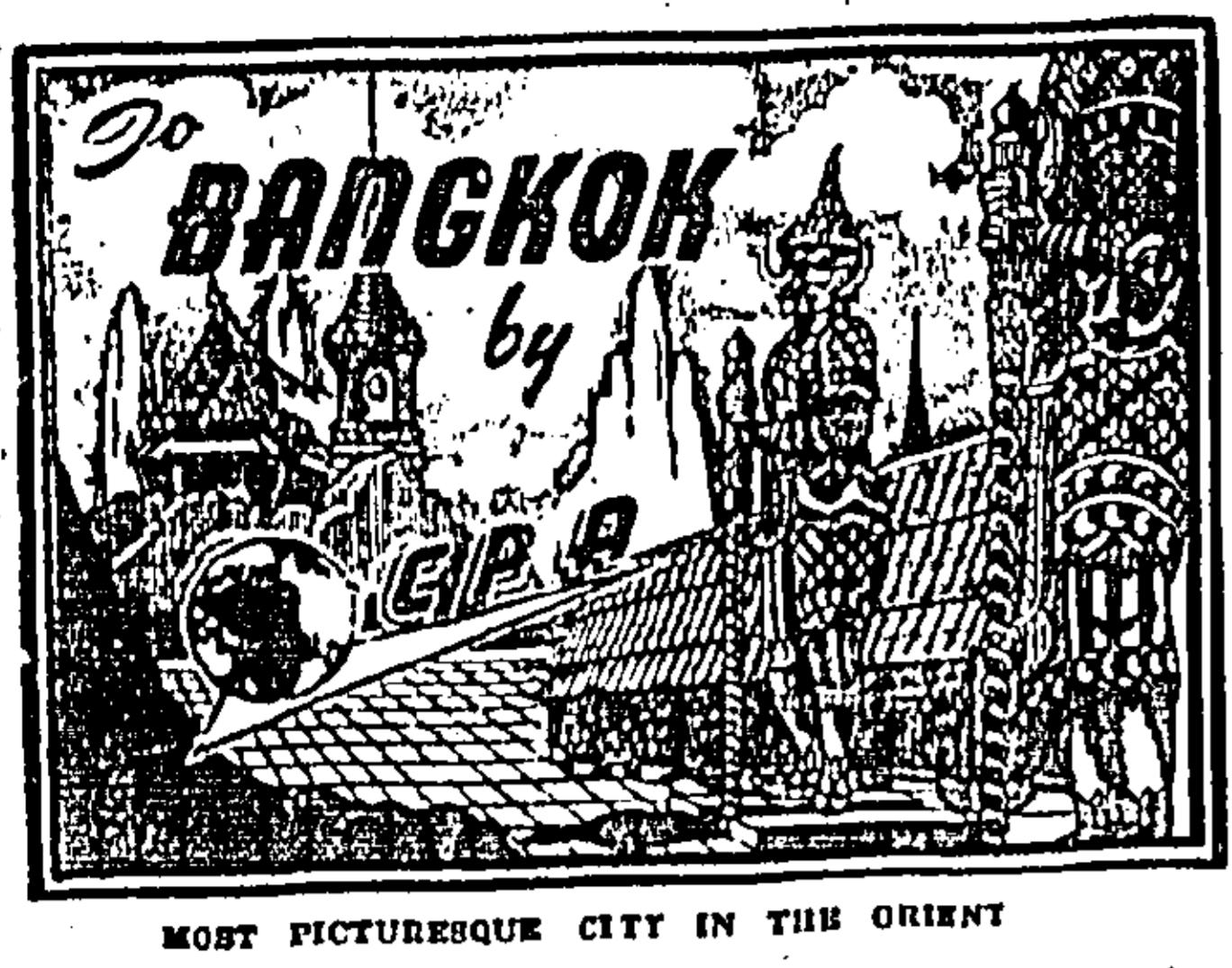
It's almost as difficult these days to live within an income as it used to be live without one.

According to a college student's exam paper, "An aquatic plant is a plant entirely surrounded by its own environment."

do I know anybody who ever heard him say, "I am a Hungarian nobleman"—a strange phrase which occurs in the "confessions". These pages were not written by the same man who, at the end of the mighty procession on St. Stephen's Day, in front of 100,000 people gathered in the Square of Heroes, and in the presence of the whole Hungarian Government, fearlessly denounced the crimes of public life. They were not written by the same man who at Ozlalom, where police jeeps and lorries were bent on breaking up the religious procession by force and almost ran him down. Nor 60 Andrássy ut, but there are hundreds of indications that it was something terrible and unprecedented. We may say with the old patriarch Isaac: "The voice is Jacob's voice but the hands are the hands of Esau."

The handwriting in Cardinal Mindszenty's but who composed the words? Were the "confessions" composed by Gabriel Páter, the all-powerful ogre of No. 60 Andrássy ut, or were they the work of Matthias Rakosi himself, the uncrowned king of Hungary, the bull-headed gauleiter whom Moscow had trained to sedulously fill this role? Or were they dictated by the Cominform? For three years I met Cardinal Mindszenty at least once every week. Yet I never heard him say, nor

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# PRO-CHINESE SENATORS AWAITING NEXT MOVE BY STATE DEPARTMENT

Washington, June 26.

**Republican Senator Robert Taft today predicted that the Administration will exert a lot of pressure for full diplomatic recognition of the impending Communist regime in China.**

Senator Taft made his statement as he and other Senators urging more American aid for the Chinese Nationalists awaited the State Department's decision on whether the United States will observe the Nationalist blockade of Communist-held ports.

**Republican Senator William Knowland told the United Press that if the State Department, in collaboration with the British, chooses to ignore the blockade, it will mean that American policy has undergone a complete shift and that the United States is now backing the Communist Government.**

The State Department is discussing its future course in China with other nations affected by the passing of Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist regime in North China.

It has not been hinted whether the Communists will be recognised, but some time soon—perhaps this week—the Department may issue a White Paper on the entire Chinese situation.

The document, it is reported, charge that corruption within the Chiang Government led to the Nationalist downfall in North China and withholding of further American aid to the Nationalists.

On recognition of the Communists, President Truman could recognise the Red government without asking Congressional approval. However, if he wants to implement the programme with



SENATOR TAFT

## BERLIN'S RAILWAYS TO REOPEN

Berlin, June 26. Berlin's 15,000 striking railway workers, bowing to the Western powers' "ultimatum", agreed today to return to work on Tuesday.

The decision to end the walkout on the 29th day was reached by Union leaders at the headquarters of the Western U.G.C. labour organisation. The return of the strikers will make it possible to re-open rail communications between Berlin and the West, and restore service on the Berlin overhead railway.

The unanimous decision to end the strike came after a stormy four-hour meeting of the Union Executive and leaders of the Independent Trade Union Organisation (I.T.U.O.).

The Western Commandants last night instructed the City Administration in their sectors to stop paying unemployment relief to strikers who have not returned to work by the day mentioned. Strikers who make a written declaration that they no longer wish to work for the Soviet controlled Railway Administration are exempted from the order and an attempt is to be made to find them other jobs.

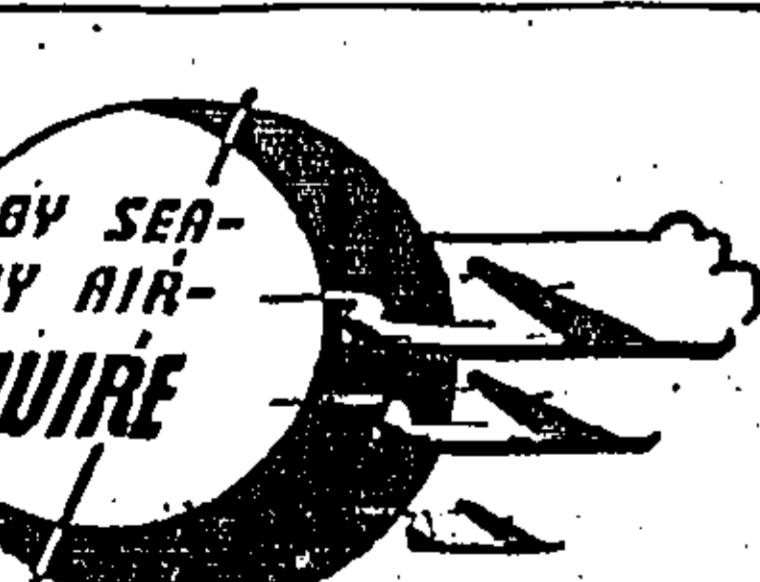
The Western Commandants also ordered the Administration to convert into West marks the 40 per cent of the railwaymen's wages which they receive in East marks.

The strikers had demanded 100 per cent payment in West marks and recognition of their West sector Union by the Railway Administration.

Heinz Brücht, Chairman of the Union, said that the strikers have accepted the Commandants' letter in principle, but will continue to fight for recognition of their Union.—United Press and Reuters.

**Aid Requests**

Senator Knowland said the "mock" convention in August will probably give the Communists an opportunity to do-



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## POSSIBLE TO TALK OF PEACE NOW

Paris, June 26. It is possible to talk of the chances of peace rather than the risks of war, M. Robert Schuman, French Foreign Minister, said today in a speech near Metz, in the Moselle Department, North-Eastern France.

Speaking of the recent Old Four Foreign Ministers' Conference in Paris, M. Schuman said that if this Conference did not yet mark a rapprochement or the establishment of confidence, all the same there has been a relaxation of international tension.

New methods of war, M. Schuman said, go beyond all questions of frontiers and France must, therefore, look for other means of security than mere vigilance on her borders, notably that of building peace within Germany itself, a constructive peace with the co-operation of France and all peace-loving nations.—Reuter.

## Arrest Of Smuggler Premature

Rome, June 26. International police today said the arrest of a dope smuggler at Rome airport last night had wrecked their carefully-planned move to trap one of the world's largest dope syndicates.

Vincent Trupia of New York was arrested as he was about to fly to New York with US\$500,000 worth of cocaine concealed in his person and in false subseats. The police said the action by Customs officers at Clampino airport had broken everything open just when they did not want publicity on their activities.

The net to trap members of the multi-million-dollar racket was begun last year when American narcotics agents traced the origin of several million dollars' worth of dope seized in New York.

In Washington, Harry Anslinger, chief of the Treasury's Narcotics Division, said the arrests were part of a campaign by the American Government, in co-operation with Italy, France, Germany, Turkey and Greece, to stamp out the international drug traffic, but he has no information to support the statement that the arrest wrecked the trap.

The former American vice king, Charles "Lucky" Luciano, who was deported from the United States, has been openly charged by several officials of being the master mind behind the smuggling ring.—United Press.

**AIRLIFT RECORD**

Wiesbaden, June 26. The Berlin airlift has carried a total of 1,944,100 in 235,336 flights in the 365 days since it began, an anniversary announcement from Combined Airlift Headquarters here said today.

During the lift there have been 17 crashes with 58 people killed.—Reuter.

## ERP Cuts Would Be Foolish, Mr. Hoffman Says

Washington, June 26. The European Recovery Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, is as eager as anyone to reduce Federal spending but believes that drastic cuts in foreign aid will be penny wise and pound foolish.

In a radio interview, Mr. Hoffman said the funds he had asked for the second instalment of the Marshall European recovery programme are the minimum necessary to carry on this programme effectively and without loss of momentum.

"This momentum has been built up over the past year," he added. "If it were lost, it might cost many times the amount of the proposed cut to regain it."

Some economy bloc Senators have proposed a cut of up to \$1,000,000,000 in the funds which the House voted for Mr. Hoffman's Economic Co-operation Administration in the coming fiscal year. The House voted \$3,800,000,000 with the stipulation that if Mr. Hoffman found it necessary he could spend all of it in 10½ months and come back for more.

Mr. Hoffman said he is not content with the House figure, but they could live with it because of the House provision.

"Without that clause," he said, "we would be forced immediately to cut back drastically and dangerously."

He added that ECA had allowed for price declines in making up its original estimates of needs in the coming year and the House had made still further allowances. "Appreciable price declines beyond these figures could only

## CRIPPS PREPARES FOR FIGHT ON PAYMENTS SCHEME

London, June 26. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, spent this weekend preparing for the second round of his struggle against the plan for convertible intra-European payments between Marshall Aid nations. Sir Stafford will go to Paris on Wednesday for the meeting of the Inner Cabinet of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

He will continue his fight against the proposal, backed in Belgium and the United States, that Britain should make a proportion of her Sterling payments to other Marshall countries convertible into gold or dollars.

The talks in Brussels last week ended in deadlock after Sir Stafford rejected the plan on the grounds that it would involve a further drain on Britain's dwindling gold reserves.

The real problem is not exchange rates or bilateralism, but national investment policies in almost every country.

Belgium and Italy have enlarged their gold and foreign exchange reserves by neglecting their internal capital investments.

### U.S. Investments

Britain has depleted her reserves by concentrating on internal capital investment to raise productivity and release of Sterling to overseas Sterling countries, which maintain Britain's exports.

Britain can rebuild her reserves, but only at the expense of these two other forms of investment.

Thus the European issue will be greatly affected by the outcome of the negotiations in London on Sterling releases to India, Pakistan and South Africa.

It will be still more affected by the vital question of American investments: whether or not the United States can avoid a slump by maintaining its internal investments and by private investments abroad, or whether it will have unemployment and try to export it.—Reuter.

## SORGHUM FOR BRITISH PIGS

Brisbane, June 26. The first shipment of "Food for Britain" sorghum (a type of millet) harvested at Peak Downs, in Central Queensland—a token cargo of 60 tons—will leave for Britain on Tuesday.

Officials of the British Food Corporation, which controls the Peak Downs' sorghum crop, said that the grain is arriving at Gladstone at the rate of 170 tons daily.

The sources said the Sultan visited the evacuated areas and despatched a courier to the hills ordering the Army to reoccupy them.

The Sultan addressed large crowds in the area and told them the town was back under Republican control, but even this failed to bring out the guerilla forces.—United Press.

## DAY EXCURSIONS TO FRANCE

London, June 27. The popular cheap day steamer excursions from Britain to France are to be restored from today.

The new steamer Maid of Orleans will make the trip four times weekly from Folkestone to Boulogne. The fare will be £2 return. Passports will be required.—Associated Press.

## ERROL FLYNN IN ITALY

Palermo, June 26. The American film star Errol Flynn has arrived here to inspect Sicilian sites for possible future films.

He is the guest of Prince Raimondo Lanza di Trabia.—Associated Press.

Washington, June 27. The Federal Reserve reports American corporation profits in the first quarter were slightly below last year but still high, relative to earlier prosperous periods.—Associated Press.

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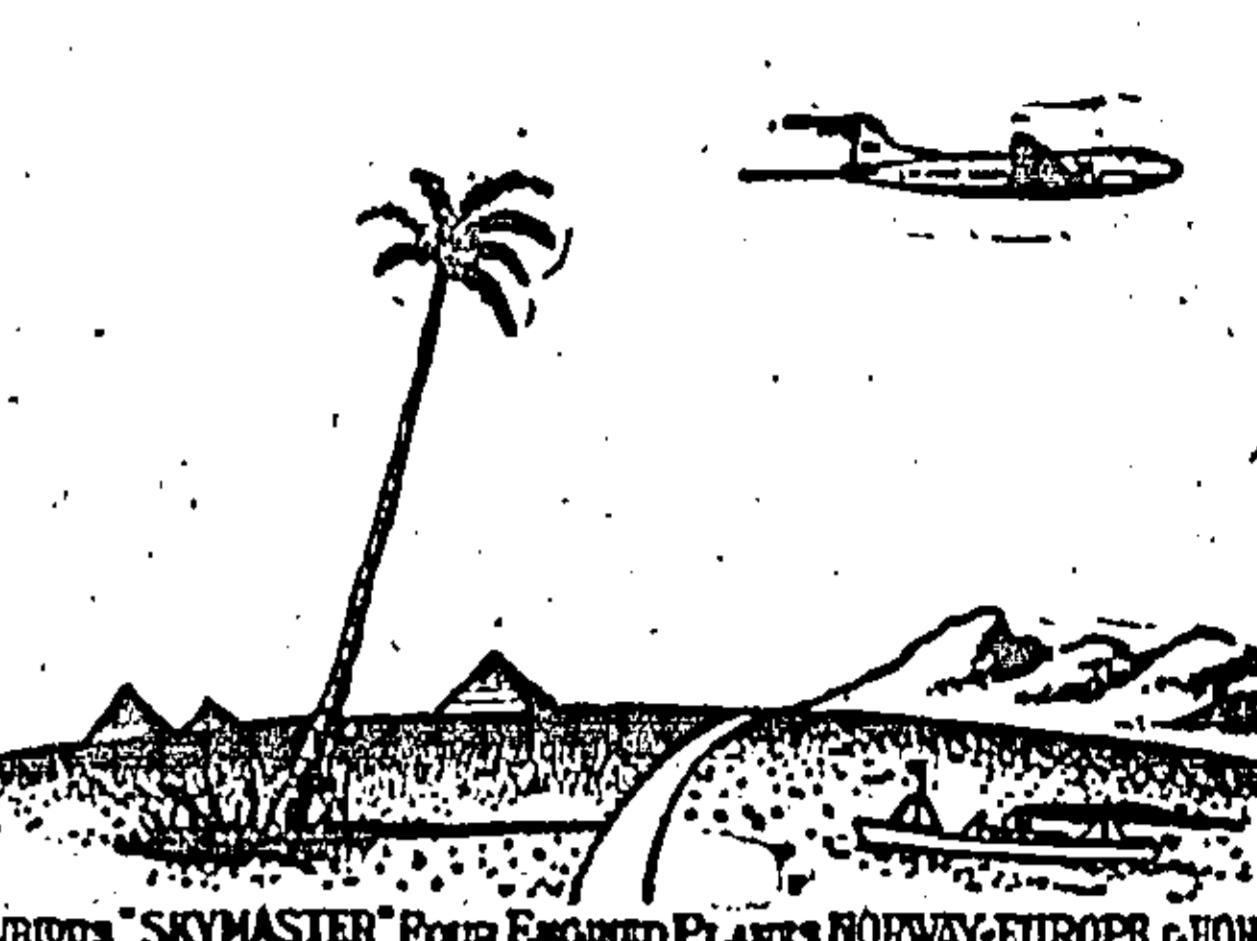
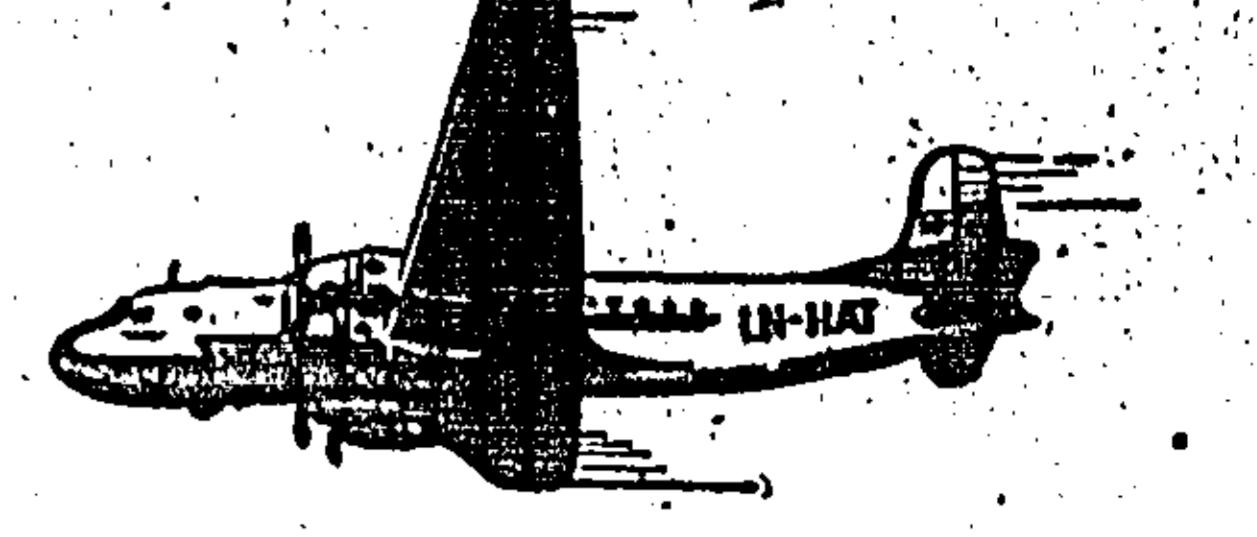
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# BERAN INDICTMENT OF PRAGUE REGIME READ IN CHURCHES

## Persecution Behind The Iron Curtain

Vatican City, June 26. Vatican sources today estimated that more than 1,500 Catholic priests have been arrested or have disappeared in Iron Curtain countries since the war.

The anti-Church campaign in Yugoslavia, Rumania, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Albania, Poland and the Baltic States since the war has stripped the Church of most of its power in these countries, a survey of the Church's position showed.

Sources said: "The exact number of Catholic priests who have been deported, exiled or killed cannot be known under present conditions, but 1,500 is a conservative figure based on actual reports received. We fear the figure may really be higher."—United Press.

## IMAGES SEEN IN BELGRADE

Belgrade, June 26. During the recent wet weather a number of Yugoslavs have claimed that they have seen images of the Virgin Mary with the infant Jesus in her arms outlined on the rain-drenched windows of shops.

The official Yugoslav press took formal notice of these reports today, describing them as nonsense sponsored by reactionaries to prove to the country's youth and Communists that "God exists."

The newspaper "Politika" called the reports an effort on the part of enemies of Yugoslavia to employ superstition for their "dirty aims."

Previously the trade union newspaper "Rad" had explained in more technical terms that the sun's rays on wet glass sometimes produce a coloured image.

It added tersely that the images of the Virgin Mary were "born in people's imaginations."—Associated Press.

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## GOOD NEWS DESPITE DECLINING BUSINESS

New York, June 26.  
A bit of good news, including a 20-year peak in motorcar production, popped up in the past week to take the sting out of generally declining business activity in the United States. Some of the brighter news was a result of seasonal factors. Moreover, it was sparsely spread through the economy. Yet it was encouraging after a long period of slow but constant declines.

For instance, engineering construction contracts hit the second highest figure of the year. Electric power production reached its best total since early April. Motor-car production added up to the staggering total of 150,000 units, a figure unmatched since the clip-roaring days of 1929. In the previous week output was 140,000 and just year 90,000 units were produced in this country and Canada.

New England woolen and worsted mills reported a pick-up in production. In several places idle employees were called back. The Bureau of Labour Statistics reported the cost of living moved down a little during the month ended May 15.

The decline in the BLS Index was only three-tenths of one per cent, not startling enough to give consumers a few more pennies to spend on non-essentials.

### Labour Situation

The backdrop for the week's encouraging items, however, was the same old decline in all major components of the national economy.

Unemployment crept up a little. Steel production fell to its lowest level since the week of April 19, 1948—the 10th consecutive week it has skidded. The labour situation became increasingly tense.

Steel negotiations failed to get anywhere. The coal miners began their annual 10-day vacations at midnight on Friday, less than a full week after returning from a one-week stoppage designed to "stabilize" the industry. And there was some question whether the 400,000 soft coal miners would return at the end of the vacation.

### Sales Down

If a contract is negotiated before the present one expires on June 30, they probably will resume their jobs.

But if John L. Lewis fails to reach an agreement with the operators, they may respond with the usual—no contract no work. Department store sales were down again. Goodall Company, Palm Beach manufacturers, knocked 20 per cent off its prices, effective July 11, in an effort to stimulate business.

Mail order catalogues showed lower prices averaging around six per cent. Linoleum prices were down. Carting costs less. —Associated Press.

### COTTON CROP THREATENED

Cairo, June 26.  
Troops and schoolchildren are helping Egyptian peasants in a fight to save the cotton crop from attack by worms, which are threatening one-sixth of the country's total crop area.

Experiments aimed at the extermination of the worm are being made with now British and American chemical products. —Reuters.

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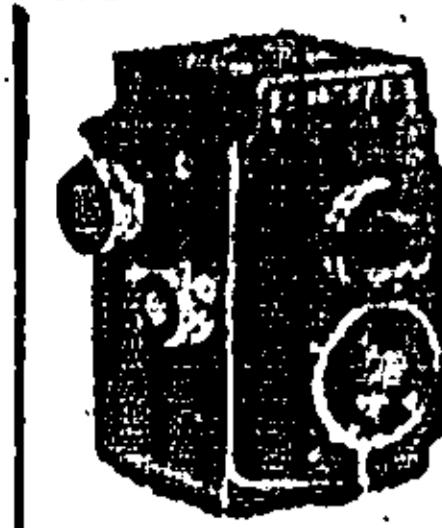
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# CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 1949.

## NEW ZEALAND SCORE 160 FOR FOUR WICKETS

### Umpire Gets Reprimand.

Because he allowed 17 balls in an over instead of eight during the Undercliffes v. Bowlers Old Lane cricket match on May 14, Bradford Cricket League Executive Committee have reprimanded Umpire H. Warden and cancelled his first team appointment.

It was also stated that Umpire Warden had declined to give a decision when players appealed during the game.

### Storm Over Ryder Cup Arising

London, June 27. A storm is arising over the Ryder Cup to be played at the Ganton, Scarborough, Club in September. Trouble is coming over the watering of the course which, many say, is just playing into the hands of the Americans. The Ganton Club, which has just spent £3,000 on an irrigation scheme—and would have done so anyway, Ryder Cup or no Ryder Cup—are between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea.

In America watering of fairways and greens is the normal thing and the United States professionals are used to those conditions. They pitch the ball well up knowing that there will be no run of the ball, that with the watering and the underspin they impart to their shots the ball will stop dead. They put blindly for the back of the hole for a second spell and have no ball hit for four by golfers who then reached 81 out of 75 in 45 minutes, having then hit eight fours.

England's fielding was keen but the ball raced over the parched outfield, but when Hollies found his length and Gladwin began bowling outside the off-stump, the rate dropped.

Then in the impatient manner which has characterised New Zealand's batting when tied down, Sutcliffe bashed at a ball outside the off-stump and was well caught by Compton for 87, out of 89.

In spite of his breaking the stand, Gladwin was taken off to bring back Bailey as Mana wanted to test Hadlee with some pace bowling before he settled down.

#### Scoring Slowed

The scoring rate had now slowed down considerably and with Hollies working the batsmen, Mann put Compton, with his googlies and "Chinamen" on the other end, Hadlee was narrowly missed being brilliantly caught by Evans when he snicked a ball from Compton, but in the next over, Scott edged a ball past him and Edrich held at safety.

But there are still a lot of people who do not agree with the procedure. One of them, a former Ryder Cup player, pooh-poohed the idea of drought. "Rain will come along and the course would take its normal share of the fall and right itself. In fact there is likely to be a lot of rain between now and September. To overfeed it at the rate of 200 gallons a minute artificially is ridiculous," was his comment—Reuter.

Two wickets were then down for 124 but Hadlee was now confident. He often went down the pitch to drive Compton, Wallace, who then came in and needed only 29 runs for his thousand runs, must still wait for his double instead of off-cut a leg-break and Evans fastened on to the catch.

Hollies had bowled 15 consecutive overs with eight maidens before claiming this success.

## Chinetti, Lord Selsdon Win Le Mans Race

Le Mans, June 26.

The Italian-English team of L. Chinetti and Lord Selsdon today won the 24-hour Le Mans motor-car race, marathon.

The team covered the most distance and at the same time had the best index of performance.

This was the order of the finish:

L. Chinetti-Lord Selsdon in a Ferrari; Louveau-Jover, in a Delage; Culpan-Albion, in a Frazer-Nash; Norel-Chaplin, in a Talbot; Gerard-Codina, in a Delage; Grimaud-Brunel, in a Delahaye; Hay-Wisdom, in a Aston-Martin; Beulliet-Mouche, in a Delage; Thompson-Vernon, in an M. R. G.

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The New Zealand cricketers, continuing their first innings in the second day of the Second Test against England, had scored 160 runs for four wickets at lunch time today. Queues again formed outside Lords this morning for the start of the second day's play. The weather was fine with a hot sun when the New Zealanders resumed with the score at 20 for no wicket in reply to England's total of 313 for nine wickets declared.

As a result of the England captain's declaration on Saturday, New Zealand's opening pair were able to take much of the shine off the new ball and with a scorching sun following a fine night and lovely summer morning, indications are that conditions would remain very much in favour of the batsmen.

The crowd had increased to more than 20,000 when Scott faced Gladwin, bowling from the pavilion end. Sutcliffe did not take long to get the pace of the pitch which played easier than on Saturday. Scott was the first to score with a single.

Sutcliffe took two fours off Bailey to lead with ease and straight drove the same bowler for a third boundary. After changing ends, Bailey appeared better and off his third ball Sutcliffe touched to slips but Edrich was unable to hold the ball that came to him low on his left side.

Mann worked a series of swift bowling changes in an effort to break the first wicket stand and before play had been in progress for half an hour, four bowlers had been tried. Hollies had leg breaks down the hill and though not usually expansive, he conceded 14 runs in his first three overs.

Gladwin returned for a second spell and had no ball hit for four by Sutcliffe who then reached 81 out of 75 in 45 minutes, having then hit eight fours.

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#### Not In Rules

England's first-day declaration in the Test match against New Zealand at Lord's yesterday was not in the rules, according to a statement issued at Lord's today.

But because the New Zealand captain, W. A. Hadlee, and the umpires accepted the match will continue tomorrow without interruption.

The following statement was issued by Major Aird, Assistant Secretary of Lord's Cricket Ground today:

"The question has arisen as to the correctness or otherwise of the declaration on the first day of the declaration on the first day of the second Test match now in progress."

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"Objection to a breach of the playing conditions should, however, be made at the time,"

"Since this was not done it would not appear that a dispute exists, and the match will be continued tomorrow in accordance with Law 40."—Reuter.

### Riggs Wins Pro Tennis Title

Forest Hills, N.Y., June 27. Bobby Riggs won the National Professional Tennis championship by defeating Don Budge 9-7, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6.

It was the fourth time the two Californians have met for the pro title and Riggs' third victory. —Associated Press.

Donnelly joined his captain and soon revealed good form, while Hadlee was unconvincing with any of the bunting. Then off the last ball before lunch Hadlee attempted a mighty hit but instead of getting him anticipated six he was caught on the square leg boundary by Robertson off Hollies.

Hollies had an unchanged spell of two hours before the interval of two hours deserved his two wickets for 30 runs in 20 overs, eight of which were maidens.

Scores: England 313 for 9 declared.

NEW ZEALAND

Sutcliffe, c. Compton, b. Gladwin, 57  
Scott, c. Edrich, b. Compton, 42  
Hadlee, c. Robertson, b. Hollies 43  
W. Wallace, c. Evans, b. Hollies 2  
P. Donnelly, not out, Extras 0

Total (for four) 160

## Edrich Batting In Test Match



W. J. Edrich of England hits Rabone through the slips during the opening of the first Test Match between England and New Zealand at Headingley, Leeds, on June 11. Edrich was caught by Donnelly off Cowie after scoring 30 runs.—AP Photo.

## County Cricket Tables, Averages

London, June 20. The positions in the County cricket championship table, including the series ended on Friday 20.

1st Innings points in match.

P	W	L	Dr.	Lost	Drawn	Pts.
Yorks	10	6	1	0	3	64
Worcester	10	6	3	1	1	60
Glamorgan	11	4	1	5	1	64
Middlesex	11	4	0	7	0	64
Kent	11	4	6	1	1	66
Essex	11	4	3	4	0	62
Northants	10	4	3	3	0	62
Somerset	11	4	7	0	1	62
Warwick	10	4	3	2	0	61
Gloucester	10	4	3	1	0	48
Surrey	8	3	2	3	0	44
Lancs	11	2	3	6	0	36
Notts	10	3	4	2	0	36
Sussex	8	2	3	2	1	32
Derby	10	2	6	1	1	28
Hampshire	9	1	6	1	1	16
Leicester	7	1	4	2	1	10

(\* Not Out)

The first 10 in the batting averages:

Player	1st Innings	No. Runs	Highest	Avg.
L. Hutton	23	4	1511	201
John Langridge	22	3	1470	234*
R. T. Simpson	21	5	1077	200*
J. Hardstaff	18	3	953	33.53
G. H. Doggart	20	3	1036	219*
C. Washbrook	12	1	668	56.72
H. Wallace	16	0	971	61.11
M. P. Donnelly	18	4	794	146
J. G. Dwyer	20	2	956	492
J. V. Wilson	14	3	561	110*

(\* Not Out)

The first 10 in the bowling averages:

Player	1st Innings	No. Runs	Highest	Avg.
D. V. Wright	20	4	61	15.25
H. Hazell	34	3	132	44
L. Jackson	35	5	838	43
C. Gladwin	37	2	107	53.5
R. Howorth	45	2	975	49
R. Perks	60	1	1219	1219
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